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House Resolution 1725

By: Representatives Nix of the 69th, Glanton of the 76th, Neal of the 1st, Sims of the 169th, Smith of the 131st, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the Boys & Girls Clubs of Georgia's 2010 Youth of the Year;
- 2 and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, in small towns and metropolitan areas, youth of this nation are struggling to
- 4 create a bright future in the face of crime, substance abuse, low fitness levels, and high
- 5 dropout rates; and
- 6 WHEREAS, the Boys & Girls Clubs encourages young people through its Youth of the Year
- 7 program by promoting and recognizing teens that have developed sound character, leadership
- 8 abilities, and a willingness to give back to their communities; and
- 9 WHEREAS, the Boys & Girls Clubs' Youth of the Year program recognizes teens for
- outstanding contributions to a member's family, school, community, and Boys & Girls Club;
- 11 and
- 12 WHEREAS, sponsored by the Reader's Digest Foundation since its inception in 1947, the
- 13 program acknowledges the personal challenges faced by candidates and the obstacles
- 14 individuals have overcome in their lives; and
- 15 WHEREAS, winners of the Youth of the Year award are selected on the basis of scholastic
- 16 achievement, community service, leadership ability, and the consideration of any physical,
- 17 social, or emotional obstacles that have been overcome; and
- 18 WHEREAS, the Reader's Digest Foundation awards winners of this prestigious contest a
- 19 \$1,000 college scholarship, with state winners having the opportunity to be selected as
- 20 Regional Youth of the Year and National Youth of the Year; and

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21 WHEREAS, the 2010 Georgia Youth of the Year represents young people in Georgia and

- 22 the over 130,000 young people being served in nearly 170 Boys & Girls Clubs state wide;
- 23 and
- 24 WHEREAS, Georgia's 2010 Youth of the Year will be one of nine to compete for the
- 25 Southeast Regional Youth of the Year award in early summer, 2010; and
- 26 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
- 27 the Georgia 2010 Youth of the Year be appropriately recognized.
- 28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 29 the members of this body recognize the Boys & Girls Clubs of Georgia's 2010 Youth of the
- 30 Year for a demonstrated commitment to improving the lives of others and serving as a
- 31 shining example for all young people in this state.
- 32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Boys & Girls Clubs of
- 34 America's 2010 Georgia Youth of the Year.